



LITTLE ROUND POND

Lincoln Twp., Penobscot Co. U.S.G.S. Winn, Me (7½')

Fishes

Brook trout Minnows Golden shiner Common shiner Dace (spp.) White sucker

Physical Characteristics

Area - 75 acres Temperatures:

Surface - 77°F 15 feet - 65°F

Maximum depth - 15 feet

Principal fishery: Brook trout

Little Round Pond is a clear water pond. The shoreline is scattered with boulders. A mixed forest growth surrounds the shoreline. There are no camps present to detract from the wilderness setting.

The water quality is suitable for brook trout although existing temperatures were in the upper range of those preferred by trout. Brook trout have preformed very well in the past. Originally Little Round Pond, in addition to brook trout, had several warmwater species present.

There is limited spawning area available for brook trout in the tributary. A limited amount of natural reproduction can be expected. The outlet has a wooden rock filled barrier dam on it deterring passage upstream.

In 1972 was decided that reclamation would be feasible. After a public hearing Little Round Pond was reclaimed in October 1973 and a fall brook trout stocking program began in the spring of 1974. For the next several years excellent brook trout fishing occurred.

However, in the early 80's the barrier dam washed out allowing the reestablishment of the competitive fishes. Their numbers grew once again causing heavy competition with the brook trout. In October 1999 cooperative effort was taken by the Lincoln Water District and Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to rebuild the barrier dam on the outlet of Little Round Pond. After the construction was complete another attempt to reclaim the pond was undertaken in November 1999. In the spring of 2000 stocking of brook trout resumed. The pond was resurveyed in June of 2001 and 5 of 8 species present prior to the reclamation were present in very limited numbers. At the present time an excellent brook trout fishery is present at Little Round Pond. It is believed that the incomplete kill was due to the heavily vegetated shoreline, floating marsh area and spring up welling. The pond will be stocked annually. Special regulations apply.

Little Round Pond is located just northeast of Upper Cold Stream Ponds. Access can be gained from either the north or south off the camp road around Upper Cold Stream Pond or off the north side of the pond from the Clay Rd in Lincoln. At this sight the road approaches to within 50 yards. A canoe or small boat can easily be carried the remaining distance.

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